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February 23, 2007

The Honorable Vernon A. Williams
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20423-0001

Re: The Boston and Maine Corporation and Springfield Terminal Railway Company -
- Abandonment and Discontinuance of Service over the Wakefield Junction Industrial Track -
- Essex County, Massachusetts and Middlesex County, Massachusetts
Docket No. AB 32 (Sub. No. 95X) 218701
Docket No. AB 355 (Sub. No. 26X)

Dear Secretary Williams:

Enclosed please find eleven copies of the supplementary comments received by the above referenced applicants on February 15, 2007. Please add these comments to the Environmental Historical Report, which was part of the Verified Notice of Exemption filed on February 15, 2007. As is evidenced in the enclosed, the applicants have served a copy of these comments on the relevant parties.

Should you have any questions in regard to this filing, please contact the undersigned. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,

Clinton P. Wright
Staff Attorney
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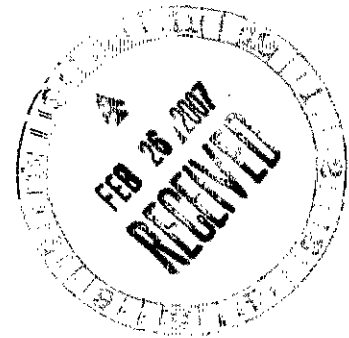
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To: Service List

Re: Abandonment and Discontinuance of Service
Over Wakefield Junction Industrial Track
Docket No. AB 32 (Sub No. 95X)
Docket No. AB 355 (Sub No. 26X)

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

On February 15, 2007, the Boston & Maine Corporation (the "B&M") and the Springfield Terminal Railway Company ("ST") (collectively the "Applicants") filed a notice with the Surface Transportation Board ("STB") seeking an exemption for the abandonment and discontinuance of service over approximately 9.69 miles of railroad track known as the Wakefield Junction Industrial Track between milepost 9.38 and milepost 19.07 (the "Line"). The Line is located in Essex and Middlesex Counties, Massachusetts. Attached are comments that were received by the Applicants on February 15, 2007 from the United States Department of Interior, National Park Service. These comments are a supplement to the Environmental/Historical Report, which was provided to you by mailing dated January 19, 2007. These comments further describe the proposed action and any expected environmental/historical effects.

We are providing this supplement to the Environmental/Historical Report so that you may review the information that will form the basis for the STB's independent environmental analysis of this proceeding. If any of the information is misleading or incorrect, if you believe that pertinent information is missing, or if you have any questions about the STB's environmental review process, please contact the Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA), 1925 K Street, NW, Washington, DC 20423, telephone (202) 565-1526 and refer to the above captioned docket number. Because the applicable statutes and regulation impose stringent deadlines for processing this action, your written comments to SEA would be appreciated as soon as possible. Additionally, please provide a copy of any comments to the undersigned at the above address.

Your comments will be considered by the STB in evaluating the environmental/historical preservation impacts of the contemplated action. If there are any questions concerning this proposal, please contact the undersigned at (978) 663-1029 or by mail at the above address.

Sincerely,

Clinton P. Wright
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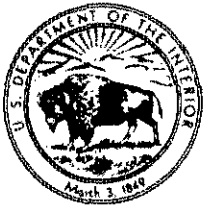
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February 13, 2007

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Re: Wakefield Junction Industrial Track Abandonment and Discontinuance of Service -- AB 32 (Sub No. 93x) and AB 355 (Sub No. 26X)

Dear Mr. Wright:

We have received the notice of the Wakefield Junction Industrial Track Abandonment and Discontinuance of Service -- AB 32 (Sub No. 93x) and AB 355 (Sub No. 26X) and want to go on record as knowing of no negative impact on historical resources of the proposed action.

We advocate and encourage that the right-of-way remain intact for public benefit for the full 9.69 miles. The parcel has great value to serve the alternative transportation needs of the region, as a linear recreation resource, and open space corridor. It has potential to be a key link in the East Coast Greenway, and connect to the Border to Boston Trail - which have received National Park Service assistance. This alignment is also being considered as a key link in the soon to be released MA Statewide Bike Trail Plan.

The National Park Service supports protecting the continuity of this right-of-way for public benefit purposes. Dividing it among multiple owners will sacrifice its potential to ever be reassembled for transportation or other purposes. Please contact Steve Golden, Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance at (617) 223-5123 or Steve_Golden@nps.gov if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Joseph DiBello, Program Manager
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